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In re Application of
Thangadurai et al.
Application No. 09/473,448
Filed: December 28, 1999
Attorney Docket No. 042390.P5761

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) filed March 18, 2002 to revive the above-identified application.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a response to a Notice to file Missing Parts of a Nonprovisional Application which was mailed on March 14, 2000. The Notice to File Missing Parts set a two (2) month period for reply. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on May 15, 2000. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed July 24, 2001.

The statement of unintentional delay presented in the petition does not comply with the current rule. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) a statement that "the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional" is required. However, the statement presented will be accepted and construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3). Petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) have been met. This petition is hereby **Granted**.

The Office acknowledges receipt of the declaration, power of attorney and preliminary amendment submitted with the instant petition.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing of the application.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to Petitions Attorney Charlema R. Grant at (703) 306-0251.

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